
Introduced by Senator Lowenthal

February 24, 2009

An act to amend Section 30315 of, and to add Section 30315.2 to, the Public Resources Code, relating to coastal resources.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 262, as introduced, Lowenthal. Coastal resources: California Coastal Commission: meeting.

Existing law requires the California Coastal Commission to meet at least once a month at a place convenient to the public.

This bill would, instead, require the commission to meet regularly. The bill would provide that a deadline for a commission hearing or action established pursuant to the California Coastal Act of 1976, the California Environmental Quality Act, or the Permit Streamlining Act is extended until the adjournment of the next regularly scheduled commission meeting after the deadline.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 30315 of the Public Resources Code is
2 amended to read:
3 30315. (a) The commission shall meet ~~at least once a month~~
4 *regularly* at a place convenient to the public. All meetings of the
5 commission shall be open to the public.
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7 (b) A majority of the total appointed membership of the
8 commission shall constitute a quorum. ~~Any~~ *An* action taken by the

1 commission under this division requires a majority vote of the
2 members present at the meeting of the commission, with a quorum
3 being present, unless otherwise specifically provided for in this
4 division.

5 SEC. 2. Section 30315.2 is added to the Public Resources Code,
6 to read:

7 30315.2. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, a
8 deadline for a commission hearing or action established pursuant
9 to this division, the California Environmental Quality Act (Division
10 13 (commencing with Section 21000)), or the Permit Streamlining
11 Act (Article 5 (commencing with Section 65950) of Chapter 4.5
12 of Division 1 of Title 7 of the Government Code), is hereby
13 extended until the adjournment of the next regularly scheduled
14 commission meeting after the deadline. This section does not apply
15 to actions that the executive director may take without the approval
16 or concurrence of the commission.